2006 Town Council Retreat Goals

The following list of goals is not exhaustive but lists those items the Southern Shores Town Council felt were its top priorities requiring attention in 2006. The Retreat featured presentations on the community Long Range Plan just completed by a volunteer committee, an update of prior-year goals, public input from citizens and non-resident property owners, and discussions with Town staff.

To aid themselves and staff, the Town Council prioritized their goals into three categories. *Inside the categories, the goals are listed in no particular order.*

Category One Goals

GOALS REQUIRING THE GREATEST ATTENTION BY THE TOWN GOVERNMENT

- Canal dredging project.
- Prudent fiscal management; establish multi-year budget policies.
- Develop a genuine capital improvement plan.
- Improve communications with citizens and volunteer boards/committees.

Category Two Goals

GOALS THE TOWN COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO SEE COMPLETED OR SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS MADE IN 2006

- Complete the property numbering project, including the proper numbering of developed properties and the naming of streets.
- Install a bathroom, shower, and changing area at the Public Works Building.
- Update the Town Code, along with the Zoning and Subdivision ordinances.
- Provide equipment and training to do small road repairs, such as repairing large potholes and edge-of-pavement failures.
- Receive Stormwater policy/improvement recommendations from the Stormwater Management Advisory Committee and the Planning Board; develop an implementation plan.

Category Three Goals

GOALS THAT SHOULD RECEIVE ATTENTION BY THE TOWN COUNCIL AND STAFF BUT THEIR COMPLETION IS DEPENDENT UPON AVAILABLE TIME AND RESOURCES

- Establish a committee to investigate a Southern Shores "Gathering Place".
- Implement low-budget stormwater projects that diminish stormwater problems in small areas.
- Investigate (and possibly take action):
 - o Placing more utilities underground.
 - o Cellular coverage within the Town/region.
- Monitor (and possibly take action) on municipal beach renourishment plans.

- Review lot coverage rules and receive recommendations from the Planning Board.
- Review public safety service levels of service and monitoring systems.
- Study the level, kind (type), and friendliness of Town services and service delivery.
- Study the trashcan rollback law and other solid waste issues.

The Town Council recognizes that events beyond their control will alter this list of goals. The purpose of the Retreat and the goals was to review with citizens where the Town is heading and to enhance a positive direction for the Southern Shores community. These goals represent a prioritization of just some of the many ways citizens, businesses and non-resident property owners move the community towards a better future.